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4 **IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**
5 **FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA**
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7 MARIA MORALES-OPETT,
8 Plaintiff,

CASE NO. CV F 02-6626 LJO CONSOLIDATED WITH
CASE NO. CV F 02-6627

ORDER TO SET STATUS CONFERENCE

9 _____ vs.

10 COUNTY OF FRESNO, et al.,
11 Defendants.

Date: June 10, 2008
Time: 8:15 a.m.
Dept.: 4 (LJO)

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13 This Court conducted an April 14, 2008 status conference to address how to proceed in light of
14 the underlying criminal action. Plaintiffs Carol Dela Torre and Maria Morales-Opett appeared by
15 counsel W. Scott Quinlan. Defendants appeared by counsel James Arendt, Weakley, Ratliff, Arendt
16 & McGuire.

17 Mr. Qunilan explained that retrial in the underlying criminal action against plaintiff Carol Dela
18 Torre will start June 16, 2008 and is expected to last into mid-October 2008. Based on implications of
19 the underlying criminal action on this civil action, including Fifth Amendment issues, this Court
20 continues to STAY this civil action. This Court SETS a status conference for June 10, 2008 at 8:15 a.m.
21 in Department 4 (LJO) of this Court. At the conference, counsel shall be prepared to discuss the status
22 of the underlying criminal action, its effect on this action, reopening discovery, and setting discovery
23 deadlines, a pretrial conference and trial.

24 IT IS SO ORDERED.

25 **Dated: April 14, 2008**

/s/ Lawrence J. O'Neill
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE